SEE WEDNESDAY'S REPUBLIC FOR LEADING MERCHANTS' MIDWEEK BARGAINS

MRS. U. S. GRANT DIES AT WASHINGTON

Widow of the Late President Suc cumbs to Heart Disease With Complications.

DAUGHTER AT THE BEDSIDE.

Three Sons Who Had Been Sum moned Did Not Arrive in Time for the End.

of Passilent Grant, died at her festa this city at 41 17 o'clock to-night. to heart disease, Mrs. mg suffered for some years from disease of the heart, which was till a nervice attack of bronchitts

laughter, Nellie Grant Sartoris, was me of her children with her at the her neath. Her three sons, who had been aummoned here, are all out of

et of St. Louis. Her eldest profiler was PACIFIC CABLE dot, and it was through him she first me the man she afterward married

STORY OF COURTSHIP. Remarkle and charming stories are told courting of these two young persons, one of the most admired young women of her county, the other a military student of Mainments. Judge Bent opposed the match i was long time, but his discour-Cadet Grant, nor diminish the ardor of his

counting despite the efforts of Judge Dent to stop it, will at length he consented one | GREAT CROWD WAS PRESENT. | MANY "MISREPRESENTATIONS." etalling incidents of the courtof stating the summer preceding increased proved to Judge Den-, oning men who sought the hand or was minute of the proper

mig people were berselack his mire of the front farm. The water was tuch in the river, and the dangers of maing close to the banks were many, While same sub by side close to the river bank the caren which bore the horses began to sile, and Miss Dent, slipping from her horse, fell dankerously hear to the edge of

bet decline, with great peril to himself, happiness,

Many other incidents less exciting, but interesting have been told of the explora-Bons of these two young lovers. Their marriage was a leading event in the region where the Impitatived

Dutting the sacts part of the Civil War. Mrs. Grant and her children passed the time at the hums of Josige Dent, near St. Lamis, and the home of General Grant's

HUSBAND BECOMES HERO When the fall of Vicksburg was pro-ciaimed throughout the country she was in St Louis. Her husband was the country s-hero, his name was on the lips of every one, in the South as well as in the North. And the glory which he earned for him-self was hared by her. She was made the subject of an oviation quite as enthusiastic as any that was ever tendered a woman. A multitude of citizens of the metropolis of the Southwest gathered about the hotel where she was living. They cheered her

LEADING TOPICS TO-DAY'S REPUBLIC

THE SUN RISES THIS MORNING AT 7.32 AND SETS THIS EVENING AT 4:39. THE MOON RISES THIS EVENING AT

WEATHER INDICATIONS. For Missouri-Snow in northwest;

rain in southwest Monday; Tuesday For Illinois-Snow Monday; Tuesday

For Arkansas-Rain Monday: Tues-

day fair. For Eastern Texas-Rain and colder

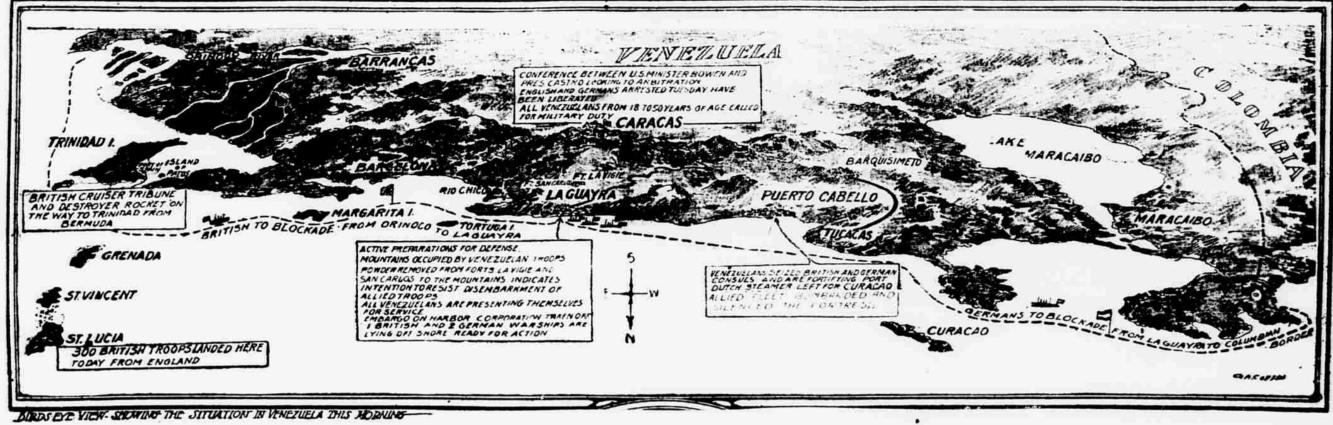
Monday; Tuesday fair. For Western Texas-Fair Monday; warmer Tuesday.

- 1. Pacific Cable Landed at Last. Francis Replies to Newspaper Charges. Mrs. Grant Dies at Washington,
- 2. Compares President to Pontius Pilate. 2 Lorimer Now After Senate Organiza-
- Senator Gallinger Scores Doctor Keen. Tariff 1911 Aimed at United States
- 4. St. Louis Bookmakers at Crescent City.
- 5 Little Folks Write to Santa Claus. Father Resisted Efforts to Remove De-
- Stage News and Notes.

Labor Law

- 7 Uncle Sam Plays Santa Claus for Old Soldier. Eight Boodle Defendants Will Be Called Trying to Procure Repeal of Convict
- S. Republic "Want" Advertisements. East Side News. River News.
- 10. Sermons and Services at the Churches Christian Churches Will Consolidate.
- II. Early Gains Are Lost on Local Exchanges. Live Stock
- Markets by Telegraph. 12. Fought Duel in the Road Exchanged Shoes for Votes. Oglesby's Caustic Remarks. May Decide on Permanent Building.

ALLIED CRUISERS DESTROY VENEZUELAN FORTRESS DESPITE AMERICAN CONSUL'S PLEA.



TOPOGRAPHICAL MAP OF THE COAST OF VENEZUELA, GIVING A BIRD'S EYE VIEW OF THE SITUATION AS AFFECTED BY THE BRITISH GERMAN INVESTMENT.

LANDED AT LAST

in Memory of J. W. Mackay, Its Founder.

Inauguration of a New Era in the Development of the Coast-Clarence H. Mackay

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 14. of John W. Mackey, I christen the Pacific

Made Address.

cable. May it always eatry messages of serzed het, dien het to a place of safety | With these words, Lucille Gage, the iland let the traces take rare of themselves, year old daughter of H. T. Gage, Governor of Chilfornia, to-day christened the transpacific cable by breaking a buttle of champagne over the shore end and inaugurated a new era in the commercial development of

the Pacific Coast. The fanding and splicing of the shore end, which is to connect the maintand with Honolulu, was accomplished without bitch of any kind and was witnessed by 30,000 or 40,000 persons. Ideal weather prevailed, there being scarcely ung

carrying six miles of cable, steamed close in shore and, through a life-saving boat's crew, sent a tole to which the cuble was attached ashore

Word was sent to President Clarence H. Mackay and the Cable and Postal Tele | representative which would enlighten the graph officials that all was in readiness. | readers of the Mail and Express and give the work of hauling in the cable was done so expeditiously that they arrived on the beach only two minutes before the cable touched the beach, and it was christened at to nettle President Francis somewhat

While the cable was being spliced to the hand end Mayor Schmitz delivered a short (ban 2) per cent of the amount subscribed speech congratulating Mr. Mackay on the accessful beginning of the work. He also spoke of the importance of the undertaking and the benefits to the world at large that would result from its completion.

IMPRESSIVE MOMENT Clarence H. Mackay, president of the Padie Commercial Cable Company, with a coles full of emotion, thanked the Mayor and those present.

Governor H. T. Gage, on behalf of the State of California, paid a fervent tribute to the late John W. Mackay. The formal exercises closed with three cheers for the ing, which will be used in illuminating the cable and all those taking part in its land-

Refreshment tents were erected on the beach, and while the cable was being spliced Mr. Mackay served champagne and other refreshments to a large number of specially invited guests. Mr. Mackay also sent the following telegram to President Roosevel:: "San Francisco, Dec. 14.-To the Honorable Theodore Roosevelt, President of the

United States, Washington: "I have the honor to inform you that the end of the Honolulu cable was successfully brought to shore this morning. "CLARENCE MACKAY.

"President, Pacific Commercial Cable Company. CABLE ANCHORED

When the splicing was complete late it the afternoon horses were hitched to the end, and the cable was drawn through the conduit to the cable station. At the same time the steamer Newsboy steamed out to sea five miles and anchored the cable with balloon buoys. It was picked up by the cable steamer Silvertown and taken aboard. The splicing to the main body was completed to-night and the Silvertown headed for Honolulu at a seven-knot speed.

The first message over the cable was sent from shore to Chief Engineer Benest, on SAC AND FOX INDIANS the Silvertown, congratulating him on the successful landing. Several tests were made as the cable was being paid out by the Newsboy and it was found to be in perfect Not Quite Five Hundred Members of condition.

A portion of the cable was cut up into small bits for souvenirs and distributed by President Mackay among his special guests, estimated at about 3,000. During the ceremonies an artillery band from the Presidio

Fifty policemen were kept busy keeping the crowd out of the inclosure where the splicing was going on. Mr Mackay completed his lavish hospitality of the day with a banquet to-night to the officials of

FRANCIS REPLIES TO **NEWSPAPER CHARGES**

Christened by Governor's Daughter | Declares Attack on the World's Fair Does Not Even Deserve Consideration.

Suggests That New York Paper Send Representative to St. Louis Before Proceeding With Its Blind Attack.

Francis returned from Washington to-night The article in the Mail and Express, mak-

ing tharges against the World's Pair management, was shown to him. After reading it. President Francis said: "That statement is so full of misrepresenta-

none that it does not deserve a reply-It the Mail and Express is so deeply interested in the World's Patr it should send a representative to St. Louis to go ver the grounds, and if he is fair in any is little, if any, truth whatever in the acticle

We are making excellent progress towand the completion of the most magni-pleture in architecture ever presented exposition or otherwise, and this he would

It perhaps would simplify matters if the stoner. Do for Theodor Lewald, now at ie Cambridge Hotel in this city, who has ist returned from St. Louis Doctor Lewald could tell a thing or two to their them a few facts well worth knowing.

FRANCIS NETTLED. The clorge that the World's Fair had defaulted in the sum of \$2,500,000 appeared There is a glaring inaccuracy," he said. Under the terms of subscription not more for can be called in any six months, and

about \$2,500,000. Our last call is not due to til September 12, 1968, or nearly a year hence. Furthermore, the Government appropriation is not available until the local Exposition Company shall have shown to the satisfaction of the Secretary of the Treasury that \$10,000,000 has been expended by the local corporation, so that the Gov ernment's \$5,000,000, which concerns out tends so much, is as yet on paper only." President Francis and Director of Works Taylor spent yesterday afternoon in the study of new developments in electric light cascades at the Fair.

To-motrow morning at 10 o'clock President Francis, Mayor Wells, Mr. L. D. Dozler and Mr. Taylor start for St. Louis

WORLD'S FAIR SOUVENIR COINS ALMOST READY.

Treesury Department Officials Say They Will Be Delivered to Exposition Officials This Week.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Washington, Dec. 11.-Owing to the unprecedented demand for coins of small decommunation for the holiday trade it is said by Treasury Department officials that the the 250,000 World's Fair souvenir dollars by

Monday, as was predicted by Director Rob-

erts of the mint some time past. Mr. Roberts, however, has assured Th Republic correspondent that the coins, unless delayed by some unforeseen circum stance, will be turned over to the Exposi tion officials some time during the week

ARE BECOMING EXTINCT.

Once Powerful Tribe Remain Alive.

Guthrie, Ok., Dec. 14.-Doctor Wyman, Government physician at the Sac and Fox Indian Agency, in Oklahoma, announces that a large majority of the tribe are afflicted with tuberculosis, scrofula and other incurable diseases, and adds that the tribe will be practically annihilated within a few years. The latest report says there are but the Cable and Postal Telegraph companies, 479 members of this once powerful tribe left.

ENGLISH AND GERMAN FORCES SHED BLOOD AT PUERTO CABELLO; CASTRO'S MESSAGE TO YIELD ARRIVED AFTER BOMBARDMENT

British and German Cruisers Enter Harbor in Search of Venezuelan War Vessels, but Find None-Seizure of British Merchantman by Native Mob Led to Demand for Full Satisfaction in Two Hours Under Penalty of Attack on Fortifications - Castro's Message of Compliance Only

SITUATION IN CARIBBEAN IS GROWING EXTREMELY GRAVE.

a Few Minutes Too

Late.

SPECIAL BY CABLE TO THE NEW YORK HERALD AND THE ST. LOUIS REPUBLIC. La Guayra, Venezuela, Dec. 14. (Copyright, 1902) - War has actually be-New York, Dec. 14.-President David R. | gun in Venezuela and Venezuelan blood has been shed by the guns of the warships of Germany and Great Britain.

> For three quarters of an hour last evening the German cruiser Vineta and the British cruiser Charybdis united in a bombardment of Fort Solano and the Castle Libertador, the chief harbor defenses of Puerto Cabello.

> After reducing the forts to ruins, dismantling the shore batteries, wounding two Venezuelan soldiers and making a prisoner of their commanding officer, the allies took possession of the castle and then, leaving the dismantled fortifications, the warships put back to La Guayra,

> Puerto Cabello, Saturday, Dec. 13.- The British cruiser Charybdis and the German cruiser Vineta bombarded the fortress here at 5 o'clock this afternoon and quickly silenced it.

The bombardment lasted for forty-five minutes,

The fortress is composed of Fort Solano and the Castle Libertador. After the firing ceased the Charybdis sent marines to occupy the castle.

The fortress was almost demolished. it is probable that only a few persons were injured by the shelling. The commander of Castle Liberta dor has been taken prisoner. The cruisers are still here.

At 7 o'clock this morning the Charybdis and the Vineta arrived here searching for Venezueian gunboats. The two cruisers sent their boats into the inner port, but finding no gunboats the boats returned.

Selzure of British Merchantman Caused Bombardment. The captain of the British merchant steamer Topaze, which was seized by the mob here last Wednesday, then visited the British Commodore on board the Charybdis and lodged a protest against the violation of his ship.

The British captain returned an hour later with a detachment of fifty marines, who took charge of the Topiaze. The populace was greatly excited at this incident and raised the cry "To arms," but there was no disorder,

The British Commodore than sent a message to the authorities at Puerto Cabello demanding immediate satisfaction for the action of the mob in laying harded down the British flag from the Topaze, saying that if this satisfaction was not forthcoming in two hours, at 5 o'clock, the fortress and the Custonihouse would be bombarded.

On the receipt of this demand the authorities sent a message to President Castro asking for instructions.

Allies ignored the Plea of the American Corsul.

A committee of merchants of Puerto Cabello than approached the Amerian Consul here, petitioning him to intervene. The Consul accepted this mission and visited the cruisers, but he could obtain no alteration in the decision

At a quarter before 5 a reply was received from President Castro, who authorized the chief official here to give the British Commodore ample satisfac-Before this answer could be communicated to the American Consul the hour

stipulated for its receipt had arrived; the cruisers immediately opened fire on

The fire was returned from Fort Solano and Castle Libertador, but the Venezuelan guns were soon silenced.

While the firing continued there was intense excitement in this port, Every house in town was closed. The people of Puerto Cabello cannot account for this precipitate action on the part of the allies, which they consider to be proof that Great Britain and Germany infend forcing war on Venezuela.

The British marines purpose to make use of the cannon in Castle Libertador. No damage was done to the town. The excitement of the people is

Anglo-German Warship's Blocked La Guayra.

London, Dec. 15.—In a dispatch from Willemstad, Curacao, dated December 14, the correspondent of the Daily Mail says; The Anglo-German warships are blockading La Guayra. The steamer Yucatan was warned by the British cruiser Indefatigable not

to enter La Guayra and returned to Curacao. The Venezuelan Government has declined the offer of a loan, made by a German banker of Caracas, to settle the claims against it.

The entrance to the inside harbor to Puerto Cabello is through a narrow channel not | firmed. more than a few hundred feet wide. To the left of this channel, as one enters the harbor, situated on a low sand spit, is the fortress, which was bombarded by the German and British cruistrs. It is an old-fashioned structure, which was rebuilt in the Eighteenth Century. Its

sides are comparatively low and would offer but poor resistance to modern shells. It is not probable that the Venezuelan Government had any modern cannon there. The Custom-house at Puerto Cabello is situated on the right or mainland side of the channel. It is a long two-story brick building, and contains, besides executive offices, large warehouses. Steamers discharging at Puerto Cabello tie up immediately in front of the Custom-house. The town itself is flat and stretches from the water front inland to

the base of the hills, a distance of two or three miles The outside harbor to Puerto Cabello is hardly more than a large bay, offering comparatively little protection to shipping. The inside harbor is very secure and quite com-

ENGLAND AND GERMANY ACT IN HIGH-HANDED MANNER.

Caracas, Saturday, Dec. 13.-A note from the commanders of the ailied Anglo-German fleer, which the Venezuelan Government refused to receive yesterday at La Guayra, was sent to-day to United States Minister Bowen at Caracas and forwarded by him to the proper Government official here.

The note is in the name of Great Britain and Germany. They request all Venezuelan ships, after the lapse of five days, to refrain from sailing from the port of La Guayra until the present difficulties are over. The question as to what right Great Britain and Germany have to coerce Venezuela

without declaring a blockade is being asked on all sides here. TWO ITALIAN MEN-OF-WAR

SECRETLY SENT TO VENEZUELA.

Rome, Dec. 14.-Italy's claims against Venezu-in are for damages sustained by Italian subjects during the Venezuehin revolutions of 1898 and 1809. When Great Britain and Germany agreed upon a common course of action toward enezuela. Italy thought to join them. Two Italian men-of-war which left Otranto with ecret orders supposedly for Tripoli were in reality destined for Venezuela. Other war-

ships have been ordered to Venezuelan waters. As already announced, negotiations are pending with Germany and Great Britain, and Foreign Minister Princiti hopes to arrive at an arrangement which will enable him to make a statement in the Chamber of Deputies to-morrow in reply to an interpellation,

PANIC-STRICKEN FOREIGNERS UNDER AMERICAN PROTECTION.

1907) - Herbert Bowen, the United States Minister had to resort to extraordinary measures to-day to allay panic among the

In Catalas. Rum as of a contemplated attack upon them by moles of indignant Venezuelans took definite shape during last night and

of 114, hastened to Mr. Bowen at 6 o'clock this morning and claimed the protection of the United States Minister as the sole repre-entative, ad interim, of German and

British sovereignty. The refugees were much excited, and many of them who had only recently been released from arrest on Mr. Bowen's intercrasion with President Castro, were in fear

for their lives. As the available space in the interior of the United States legation building was too limited to afford domicile to all the figitives, Mr. Bowen hastily reopened the abun-

doned British legation and hung above it the United States flag. He placed in charge there William W. Russell, Secretary of the United States le-

Caracas, Venezuela, Dec. 11.-(Copyright, as many of the frightened Englishmen as

the place would accommodate. During the day the British legation buildng was provided with cots and bountifully stored with flour, sugar, coffee and other provisions. Many of the refugees will, doubtless, prefer to remain there rather than expose themselves to possible risk in

the streets. in the United States Legation building. where Minister Bowen remains in personal charge, similar precautions have been taken. Improvised barracks have been established in all the available rooms, and the place has been stocked with sufficient stores, provisions and supplies to withstand

a considerable slege. In case of emergency Mr. Bowen will receive as many of the Germans as possible under the protection of the main United

States Legation building. Many Germans and Englishmen will seize the first opportunity to escape from Caracae to the United States. They feel little confidence in such protection as can be afforded them here, although all are sincerely appreciative of the energetic efforts Minister Bowen has made and is making in their

gation, and then crowded into the building CARACAS GREATLY EXCITED; SURPRISED AT UNITED STATES.

hehalf.

of the shelling of the forcess and Customhouse at Puerto Cabello this afternoon by the British cruiser Charybdis and the German cruiser Vieta reached Carneas at a Caracas to-day. late hour to-night. It caused considerable excitement and, in spite of the preventive measures taken by the police of Puerto Cabello, trouble is feared at that port. The statement that Italy, through her legation here, is to demand payment of her claims against Venezuela has been con-

Marietta at La Guayra yesterday, was due to a rumor that United States Minister Bowen was in danger. There has been no ground for such a rumor, and the presence of the Marietta was not requested by Mr.

The situation here continues to be critical and there is much excitement among the German residents of Caracas, many of tion to seek refuge there. The people of roe Doctrine."

Caracas are astonished that the Govern-Caracas. Dec. 13.-(Saturday.)-The news ment at Washington remains silent in spite of the recent act of the allied fleet.

The enlistment of Venezuelan soldiers continnes, 2,600 men from the interior reaching

The boycotting of British and German goods continues. It is reported that ninety Germans living in the country have offered to support the Venezuelan Government against Germany. The fact that the people of Venezuela are in absolute ignorance of

the designs of the allies upon their country creates a deep and disturbing feeling here. The chief officer of President Castro's guard said to-day to the representative of the Associated Press; "If there is to be war let us know and we

will fight. If there is to be only an assault on our coast, where, we cannot reach the allies, the only thing left for us to do is to declare that to destroy your debtor's furniture is a strange way to force the payment of his obligation. I believe this situation

whom have called at the American Lega- kill soon come within the scope of the Mon-